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### TERMINAL DISCLAIMER UNDER 37 CFR § 1.321

Applicant : Pomarede et al  
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Filed : February 24, 2004  
For : REDUCED CROSS-  
CONTAMINATION BETWEEN  
CHAMBERS IN A  
SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESSING  
TOOL  
Examiner : Kin-Chan Chen  
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#### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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#### *Disclaimer by Assignee*

Assignee, ASM America, Inc. ("Assignee"), hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-referenced application which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term of U.S. Patent No. 6,797,617, and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the above-identified application and U.S. Patent No. 6,797,617 are co-owned. This agreement extends to any patent granted on the above-referenced application and shall be binding on its successors or assigns.

Assignee does not disclaim any terminal part of any patent granted on the above-referenced application prior to the earlier of the expiration date of the full statutory term of U.S. Patent No. 6,797,617, and that of any patent issuing on the above-identified application in the event that either one later expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee, is held unenforceable, is found invalid, is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(a), has all claims canceled by a reexamination certificate, or is otherwise terminated prior to expiration of its full statutory term, except for the separation of legal title stated above.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b), Assignee represents that it is the owner of a 100% percent interest in the above-identified application and co-owned, Patent No. 6,797,617, all by virtue of an assignment recorded at Reel No. 014159, Frame No. 0968 by the Assignment Branch of the Patent and Trademark Office. The Assignee represents that, to the best of Assignee's knowledge and belief, title is in the Assignee seeking to take action.

***Empowerment of Attorney***

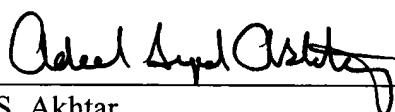
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.321(a) the undersigned attorney of record is empowered to act on behalf of the Assignee, by virtue of a Power of Attorney.

This Terminal Disclaimer is accompanied by the \$130 fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d).

Respectfully submitted,

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